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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Andrew Baskerville

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For: Underwater Energy Dampening

Device

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Group Art Unit 3662

Examiner: Ian Lobo

Attorney Ref. No.: 147.04

Response to Office Action with Amendments

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

The applicants respectfully respond to the office action issued on May 28, 2004 with the following remarks and amendments.

Remarks

As amended, all the claims are now allowable, as explained in detail below.

Claims 5 - 10

These claims are allowable, since the examiner indicated that these claims would be approved if claim 5 were re-written in independent form, with the limitations of claim 1 - 4 incorporated into claim 5.

The applicant has now complied with the examiner's suggestion, and these claims are therefore allowable.

Claim 11

As amended, this claim is now allowable since it is limited to a "a stationary project area," in contrast to the prior art.

In rejecting this claim, the examiner has relied on Fessenden (U.S. Pat. No. 1,348,828) and Lee (U.S. Pat. No. 6,606,278). However, neither of these references shows or suggests a bubble-producing unit surrounding the sides of a "stationary project area." Instead, both of these patents use bubble producing units in connection with moving